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Fishlake National Forest



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Beaver Ranger District Preparing for Prescribed Fire and Mechanical Projects

Beaver, Utah- The Fishlake National Forest, Beaver Ranger District Fuels and Fire personnel are preparing to implement several prescribed fire projects starting **October 13, 2014 through December 31, 2014**. These prescribed fire projects will only be implemented within parameters that meet specific management objectives; these parameters include but are not limited to temperature, wind, speed, soil moisture, fuel moisture and the standards set by the State Department of Air Quality. These projects will be conducted in a manner consistent with land and resource management plans, public health considerations (smoke issues), and the approved prescribed fire plan.

The following prescribed fire projects are:

Project Area	Location	Acres Planned/Fuels
Merchant Valley Prescribed Fire	Merchant Valley Midway up Beaver Canyon North of Highway 153	200-500 acres Mixed conifer
Mud Flat/Duncan Creek Prescribed Fire	10 miles East of Beaver Between Baker Canyon and Indian Creek	100 acres
Baker Canyon Prescribed Fire	2 Miles East of Beaver Up Baker Canyon	750 acres

The objectives for these projects are to reduce hazardous fuels, decrease the risks from wildfire to life, property and resources, return fire to its natural role on the landscape to maintain a diverse mosaic pattern of vegetation, increase herbaceous forage production for wildlife, and improve range habitat in these areas.

Possible travel restrictions could include temporary road closures during ignition phases of the project or until the area is safe for travel.

For further information and links about prescribed fire, wildland fire and reducing wildfire risks to your property please visit <http://www.utahfireinfo.gov>.

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